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Sir:

On July 11, 2002, we filed a response for the above-identified U.S. application via Express Mail with a certificate of mailing dated July 11, 2002. Unfortunately, a formula was omitted at the top of page 4 in the July 11, 2002 response. Therefore, we are enclosing herewith a revised page 4 for the July 11, 2002 The enclosed revised page 4 includes the previously response. omitted formula. Please consider the revised page 4 on the merits before issuing next Office Action on the merits.

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can be found in, inter alia, formula II in originally filed Claim 1 and currently pending Claim 1 when L is a cyclopentadienyl ring, R is a C_1 alkyl group, ${\bf a}$ is 0, and ${\bf k}$ is 5.

Amended Claims 1-8, 10, 11, and 13-20 are readable upon the elected invention and should be considered on the merits. Amended Claim 9 and currently pending Claim 12 are not readable upon the elected invention, but should be considered on the merits because they are each dependent on an allowable elected claim (amended Claim 8 or amended Claim 11).

In item 2 on pages 2-3 of the outstanding August 10, 2001 Office Action, the Examiner rejects currently pending Claims 1-8, 10, 11, and 13-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for allegedly being indefinite. The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection in item 2 because the currently pending claims are not indefinite. Furthermore, this rejection is now moot and should be withdrawn because amended Claims 1-8, 10, 11, and 13-20 are not indefinite.

In item 4 on page 3 of the outstanding August 10, 2001 Office Action, the Examiner rejects currently pending Claims 1-4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13-16, 18, 19 for allegedly being obvious over Vega et al.'s European Patent Document No. EP-0757992 A1 (hereinafter referred to as the "Vega document") for the reasons that are set forth in the second paragraph of item 9 on pages 4-5 of the November 17, 2000 Office Action. In item 5 on page 3 of the